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## HEALTH SERVICES FOR CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE

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#### **EFFECTIVE**

November 1, 2018.

### Subject(s)

- 1. Parental involvement in child's health care.
- 2. Hospitalization and initial medical/dental exam requirements.
- Medical and dental exam documentation in MiSACWIS.
- 4. Required medical/dental exams and placement.
- 5. Blood lead level testing for children age 6 and younger.
- 6. Health consents and young adults age 18.
- 7. Health Liaison Officer (HLO) responsibilities.

### 1) Parental Involvement in Child's Health Care

Policy is revised to emphasize parental involvement in the child's health care. Caseworkers are to assist and engage birth parent's participation in and awareness of the child's health needs and the treatment and services provided to meet the child's physical, dental, developmental, and mental health needs.

Additional references to the parental involvement policy item are found throughout FOM 801 to stress caseworker's notification to and engagement of parents in all health care appointments.

Reason: MDHHS Children's Service Agency recommendation.

### 2) Hospitalization and Initial Medical/Dental Exam Requirements

Policy is updated to address a child's hospitalization and the impending timeframe for initial medical and dental exams. Children who are hospitalized during the 30-day time frame for an initial medical exam and 90-day initial dental exam are excluded until discharged from the hospital. The initial exam requirement timeframes commence upon date of hospital discharge.

Reason: Implementation, Sustainability and Exit Plan (ISEP) compliance.

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# 3) Medical and Dental Exam Documentation

Policy is updated to include alternative forms of medical and dental exam documentation for MiSACWIS entry. A hyperlink to the newly created Medical and Dental Exam Documentation Job Aid is included for additional details.

Reason: MDHHS Child Welfare Medical Unit recommendation.

# 4) Required Medical/Dental Exams and Placement

Policy rescinds the medical and dental exam suspensions upon return to parent, placement with other parent, legal guardian, and adoption. The medical and dental examination requirements, after return home, continue if a child remains under the wardship and supervision of the court. Policy clarifies requirements for timely completion of medical and dental examinations based on child's placement.

*Reason:* To comport with the Opinion and Order Regarding Disputed Provisions of the Implementation, Sustainability and Exit Plan signed July 25, 2017.

### 5) Blood Lead Level Testing for Children Age 6 and Younger

Michigan Medicaid policy requires that all Medicaid enrolled children have a blood lead level test at 12 and 24 months of age, or between 36 and 72 months of age, if not previously tested. Policy is revised to direct caseworkers to ensure children within this age range have a blood lead level (BLL) test. The updated policy provides the caseworker's role and documentation requirements.

Reason: MDHHS Children's Service Agency requirement.

### 6) Health Consents and Young Adults Age 18

Policy is updated to include requirement for young adults to sign health consents at age 18.

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7) Health Liaison Officer (HLO) Responsibilities Reason: MDHHS Child Welfare Medical Unit recommendation.

The health liaison officer (HLO) policy is updated to align with the September 2016 MDHHS HLO Position Description.

*Reason:* Recommendation from the Lean Process Improvement for Timely Medical Workgroup.

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